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TO : Chief, Language and External Training School

DATE: 5 June 1956

FROM : Chief, Western Department, LETS

SUBJECT: Weekly Activities Report

25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

A. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

None

B. OTHER ACTIVITIES

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1. The problem of how to provide Americans Abroad instruction for the less important posts and countries has been tentatively resolved. [] concur in [] suggestion that: 1) courses on a single country be limited to those for which at least 10 students may be anticipated ([]), and, for the next fiscal year, also []; 2) New catch-all courses be introduced during the coming fiscal year, i.e., Americans in Europe, Americans in the Middle East and Africa, and Americans in South and Southeast Asia. Approximately 9 hours of formal instruction would be provided in the latter courses, paralleling those portions of the courses for [] and [] with global or regional dimensions, such as the philosophy of becoming a foreigner, processing problems, security considerations, legal advice, medical do's and don'ts, geographic highlights of the region, and the strategic importance of the area. This instruction would be followed by scheduled interviews with the principal instructor, one for each student, for the purpose of highlighting the particular country of destination. In these interviews the student will be directed to practical up-to-date reading material and to recent returnees from that country.

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2. On Tuesday, 29 May, [] briefed three foreign nationals, guests of the WH Desk, on the use of laboratory equipment in the LETS Language Training Program and the Area Program.

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3. [] met with [] of Logistics, and members of the staff of R and S Cafeteria, to discuss the scheduling and locale of the Foreign Language Dining

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Room. The same adjoining room we used earlier this year will be made available Monday, Wednesday, and Friday during the lunch hour, beginning June 11. Tables will be made available for

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[redacted] An announcement is being prepared for TLO's, and posters will be made by graphics for all bulletin boards.

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4. The Intensive Beginning [redacted] class started 4 June with four students.

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